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CHOLERA IN PHILIPPINES.

Average of Fifty Deaths a Day Reported.

Manila, Dec. 29.—Moros on the island of Mindanao report that the cholera is depopulating the villages on the East side of Lake Lanao. At Maciu there is an average of 50 deaths a day. The disease also prevails at Bacolod. It has appeared on all sides of Lake Lanao, but the Visayan residents of the island do not yet seem to have been attacked.

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MOLLIE GIBSON'S
SNOW SLIDE

Another Body Found by Search Party But Not Identified.

From Our Own Correspondent.
Nelson, B. C., Dec. 29.—But little further word has been received from the Molly Gibson mine since Saturday. Campbell's body was brought down to the landing today. Another body was found, but not identified, about two miles from the site of the bank house, but has not yet been got to the roadway.

THE HUMBERTS.

Prisoners Arrive in Paris—Valueless Seized.

Paris, Dec. 29.—The members of the Humbert family, who were recently arrested in Madrid in connection with the great safe frauds in this city, arrived at the Orleans railroad station here at 7:40 o'clock this morning. There was no demonstration. The prisoners were conducted to the conciergerie prison.

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New Year Telegram

United States President Sends Best Wishes For Canada's Prosperity.

Bulletin Issued By Census Department on B. C. Farm Lands.

Deputation From This Province To Ask Protection For Lead Industry.

From Our Own Correspondent.
Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 29.—From Washington there reached the Governor-General today a kindly telegram from the President of the United States conveying to Lord and Lady Minto his best wishes for the New Year, and expressing an earnest hope for the welfare and prosperity of Canada.

The Census Department today issued bulletin No. 12, which relates to agriculture in British Columbia. The bulletin states that the land in farms comprises 31.50 per cent. in an improved, and 68.41 in an unimproved state. The unimproved lands consist of 301,000 acres in forest and 632,649 acres in various conditions. The total value of farm property is \$32,405,512. The total value of farm products is \$3,470,083 for crops, and \$2,740,079 for animal products, making 19.16 per cent. on the investment on the average farm, or a little higher than is shown in the state of Washington and Idaho. The rate of wages is 25 per cent. higher than in Prince Edward Island.

Rev. Dr. Moore, former Moderator of the Presbyterian church of Canada, yesterday retired from the pastorate of Bank street church after 36 years service.

Mayor Cook was re-elected today by acclamation.

A letter received from Sir Wilfrid Laurier today states he will be in Ottawa towards the end of next week. Judge Richard Irvine, who today on the claim of Mrs. Cook of Buckingham against her husband for separation as to bed and board. Judgment was in favor of plaintiff. The defendant husband pleaded that at the time of his marriage he was a Roman Catholic priest, and his vows as priest made a marriage impossible. The court held if this was the case he should long ago have gone to the courts and had his marriage annulled.

A deputation is en route from British Columbia to ask for increased protection for lead and lead products.

TORONTO MAYORALTY.

Numerous Nominations For the Position

Toronto, Dec. 29.—(Special)—At the majority nominations today, Mr. Howland, the present mayor, C. C. Robinson, Ald. Danfield, Lamb and Thos. Upperton, Ald. Spence and Ald. Woodley were nominated, but Spence will probably retire. The general impression is that Lamb will be elected.

CUBAN CONGRESS.

To Be Called Together to Discuss Reciprocity.

Havana, Dec. 29.—After a lengthy conference between President Palma the members of the cabinet and leading senators, it has been decided to call an extra session of the Senate to discuss the reciprocity treaty with the United States. President Palma wants quick action, and the extra session will be called for an early date in January.

WILL SINK NEW SHAFT

Western Fuel Company Taking Steps For Development at Nanaimo.

From Our Own Correspondent.
Nanaimo, Dec. 29.—The New Vancouver Coal Company is calling for tenders for the sinking of a new shaft on Newcastle Island. This move is reported to be the first in the work of pushing the development of the property by its owners, correctly known as the Western Fuel Company. Plans are being prepared for new wharves and bunkers at Newcastle Island, which are to be submitted to President S. L. Howard on his visit of inspection next month. The force of men working in the existing shaft at Newcastle will be doubled this week.

The first steps towards the establishment of a co-operative store were taken last Saturday, a number of miners and other working men, including prominent officials of the local union, having met and formed a committee for the purpose of drafting plans. A similar institution was in existence some years ago, but was wound up as unprofitable.

Charles Shaw, the man who is missing from his home in Vancouver, is well known in Nanaimo, having resided here for several years. He left for Vancouver last spring, after losing a large boarding house and its contents in a disastrous fire which occurred about that time. He was very popular in athletic circles.

FREIGHT TRAIN WRECKED.

Broken Frog Causes Accident Near Keewatin.

Winnipeg, Dec. 29.—(Special)—The train from the East today was on time, but the result of an accident to a freight train at Busted, just west of Keewatin. Three loaded cars and two empties were derailed and piled up on the track as the result of a broken frog. No one was injured.

The office of the Gazette, at Rainy River, Ont., was burned yesterday. The plant was owned by J. A. Osborne, of Brandon, Loss, \$1,500; insured for \$500. The funeral of J. M. MacDonald, the well known Winnipegger who died suddenly at Victoria, B. C., last week, took place today, and was very largely attended.

ANGRY ITALIANS.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 29.—The little village of Hubbards Cove, was in the hands all day yesterday of a mob of Italian workmen employed on Mackenzie & Mann's South Shore railway, which is being constructed near that place. The mob arose over the alleged failure of the contractor of that section of the railway to pay the wages due the workmen. The Italian consul managed to disperse the mob last night.

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Three Star
Old Irish Whiskey

It possesses a soft, mellow flavor produced by age and high quality

Warships to
Morocco Coast

**Fears For the Christians Shut
Up in Fez by Rebel
Army.**

**Britain and Spain Are Send-
ing Vessels Nearer to the
Scene.**

LEMON LIFE-SAVER.
Will Kill the Typhoid Germs in Water.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—That lemon juice will destroy the typhoid germs in water is authoritatively announced by the Chicago health department after careful experiments extending over the last three days. One teaspoonful of the juice to half a glass of water is known to be a good combination, and repeated trials have invariably produced the same result, every germ was killed. The investigations followed, and their result confirms the announcement made on Christmas day by Dr. Asa Fergum, a London physician, to the effect that lemon juice was a deadly foe to typhoid.

MORE VOLCANOES.

London, Dec. 29.—A dispatch received here by the Times dated December 29, from Tanzier, says a courier from Pez reports the Christians there to be in flight, and the British women are in the British consulate.

The attack upon the camp occurred at night time. It is reported that 2,000 of the Souda tribe were killed.

An absurd rumor is current, continues the correspondent, that the French are supporting the rebels. At a matter of fact the anti-Christianity of the Souda tribe is due to the French than to anybody else, as it threatens them in Algeria.

Valletta, Island of Malta, Dec. 29.—H. M. S. Hecate, the flagship of Admiral Walker, together with the British battleships Canopus and Victorious, and the cruiser Diana, have left here for

death. Implicable will follow the other warships shortly.

Madrid, Dec. 20.—King Alfonso today discussed the Moroccan crisis with General Weyler, commander in chief, and the Duke of Uzquez, minister of marine. In addition to the cruiser Infanta Isabel, which has already gone to Tangier, other vessels are to be held in readiness. A lake reinforcement of 10,000 men is being ordered.

Fez and Meilla. The Government has asked its ambassadors at Paris and London to ascertain the views of the French and British Governments concerning the Moroccan situation. It appears that in addition to the reports here that some foreign power will intervene in Morocco. The latest news to reach Madrid confirms the previous reports that Fez has been invested by the rebels.

Madrid, Dec. 20.—Premier Silveira says

graphed that he had had an interview with the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Morocco, who while he takes a serious view of the situation, still has no real hopes of the defeat of the Sultan's troops, the Foreign Minister adds, was due to a surprise. He claims there has been no serious battle.

Those army officers who were absent on furlough have been ordered to return to their posts. A regiment of infantry has left for Algiers, and another is being held in readiness to go. Forces of cavalry, artillery and engineers, as well as the necessary medical and hospital corps are also ready to be moved.

Tangier, Morocco, Dec. 26.—(By the December 22 ton thousand Shercedian troops, commanded by a brother of the sultan's minister of war, received the sultan's communications and the offensive against the pretender at Taza. Before

Three Lodges Combine at the Ceremony During G. D. M's Visit.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, Dec. 26.—One most important feature of the installation ceremony at the Xmas Eve Temple on Sunday night was the official visit of I. W. Bro, Deputy Grand Master the R. C. Ensor Sharp, Accompanying the Deputy Grand Master were R. W. Bro, District Grand Master Charles Wilson, R. W. Bro, Wm. W. Bowser, Senior Warden Grand Lodge British Columbia, and M. W. Bro, Wm. Downie. The duties of installing the officers

pretender attacked them with large bodies of cavalry. The Imperial army, however, was not completely routed, and fled in disorder towards Fez, abandoning all material of war. The first fugitives arrived at Fez on the morning of December 10th.

The gates of Fez at present are shut, shops there are closed and the population is greatly excited, but there has been no disorder. The European colony of numbering about 20 persons, is taking no steps to leave the town and appears to be satisfied that there is no imminent danger, although the situation is rumored to be critical. It is said that the pretender's followers have received numerous additions since his successes, and he is already negotiating with the tribes of the Westmaah and the Beni Salama for a large number of men to be generally hostile to the Sultan, and is ready to acclaim any pretender who will guarantee the town from pillage.

As yet no details of the Imperial losses have been reported here, but it is rumored that 2,000 of the Sultan's soldiers were killed or wounded. The authorities here are in a state of great alarm and disaster. It is declared that a section of the Imperial troops sent as reinforcements deserted to the rebels and aided in driving the loyal troops back to Fez.

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Municipal nominations in the Province.

Toronto, Dec. 22.—Municipal nominations took place in Ontario today, and the only election by acclamation in any of the larger cities was that of Fred. Cook as mayor of Ottawa.

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 23.—(Special).—Nominations for mayoralty were Robt. Rodhouse (Socialist); Jas. Dixon (Liberal); Wellington J. Morden (Conservative).

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SEIZED THE JEWELS.

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was presented with a Past Grand Master's jewel by the Masons of Vancouver and retiring lodge, the Union of Aconia Lodge, No. 100, of which Bro. Brown of Mount Hermon lodge, The following officers were stalled:

Mount Hermon Lodge, No. 7.—Bro. J. A. Leach, W. M.; Bro. S. Thompson, S. W.; Bro. G. A. Stevens, J. W.; Bro. A. E. Lewis, treasurer; Bro. J. W. Bay, secretary; Bro. R. C. Rodgson, S. T.; Bro. J. Stark, J. D.; Bro. W. E. Hays, J. C.; Bro. Maxwell, J. G.; Bro. T. Wilson, D. of C.; Bro. Rev. J. McLeod, chaplain

New York, Dec. 29.—In full view of the passing crowds, a large plate glass window of the store of J. B. Simpson & Co., in West 42nd street, smashed with a Belgian paving block tonight and \$10,000 worth of diamonds were stolen. Only three of the gems were recovered, and the capture of the robber. It is believed by the police that several men were in the job and that the man who broke the window passed the loot to a confederate. After an excited hunt, which was

the pistol, and fought desperately for his liberty, was captured. He was more than alive when the police rescued him.

He is 34 years of age, and called himself William Madison, of Boston. It was one of the most daring robberies in the new work for a long time. The shop was about 100 feet long, paying stone covered with paper crashed through the window, and in an instant a tray of diamond rings and pins was flying in the air.

One of the men who was in the crowd over the counter and pursued the man who broke the window. A large crowd

T. Mitchell, sr. tyler, W. Bro. J. A. Kilmer and Bro. J. W. Prescott, authors; Bro. H. J. Penny, L. G. W. Bro. John Ward, organist.

Several prominent Grand Lodge officers honored the assembly with their presence, the following responding to the expressions of loyalty and confidence: Bro. J. W. Prescott, Bro. J. A. Kilmer, Bro. Sharp, D. G. M. of Victoria, M. W. Bro. W. Dowie, P. G. M. of Nelson, R. W. Bro. J. Bowser, G. S. W. of Vancouver.

The customary dinner was tendered

taken he was bilked under a score of names. The captors who had been infuriated captors were relentless, and doubtless he would have been more seriously injured had not a detective pulled him from under the pile. As it was, he was badly bruised, but the physician's services were required. Madison said he came here a week ago and was prompted by cold and hunger to commit the robbery. It is said at the store that he had been in the store for a month there were on show about \$150,000 worth of jewels.

Move to Combine Several in New York.


New York, Dec. 29.—The Times will say: Plans are being made to effect within a short time the consolidation of the National Broadway, the Seventh National and the Mercantile National banks, of this city. The combined bank will be known as the Mercantile National, and it is likely its capital and surplus will amount to \$10,000,000.

Charles W. Morse, who dominates the New Amsterdam National, the National Bank of North America, and the Garfield National, and who is the banking institution, is the leading feature in this merger. Mr. Morse already controls the National Broadway, and owns a large interest in the Mercantile National. The combined capital and surplus of the banks named is \$8,104,149.

distinguished Masons present proceeded direct from the banquet hall to the temple.

Neighbor—"Did that artist who bears with you paint your doors and windows?"

Farmer—"Aye, aye, aye. He is engaged to do such common work, and after he had seen one of his pictures I refused to let him do it."



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is sent direct to the diseased part of the Improved formula. Heals the ulcers, clears the passages, stops droppings in the most instant and permanent manner. Catarrhs and Hay Fever. Beware of free. All dealers, or Dr. A. W. Chase, Medicine Co., Toronto and Buffalo.

No Gripe, Pain

Or discomfort, no irritation of the intestines—but keep, prompt, thorough healthful cleansing, when you take

Hood's Pills

Sold by all druggists. 25 cents.

BORN.

ALOATSON—On December 28th, the wife of John Aloatson, Oak Bay, of a son.

FLEET—At Armadale, on December 28th, the wife of Captain Ernest Fleet, of H. M. S. Phaeton, of a daughter.

Municipal Elections !
Meeting in Labor Hall at 8 p. m.
TUESDAY, 30th inst:
In the interests of the Labor Candidates,
All are invited.

**PREPARING FOR
THE DURBAR**

**Magnificent Scene at the Vice-
roy's State Entry Into
Delhi.**

Delhi, India, Dec. 20.—The Viceroy, Lord Curzon, of Northcliffe, made his state entry this morning into the capital of the Moguls. This constituted the official opening of the durbar held to celebrate the coronation of King Edward as Emperor of India.

It was a splendid pageant, probably unparalleled in its magnificence. At the head of the elephant procession rode Lord and Lady Curzon, in state, on a grand chariot. In the front of the elephant in India. Their howdah was decked with gold and silver and the elephant itself was almost hidden beneath a gold-worked saddle cloth.

The Durbar was a most brilliant and splendid affair. The Emperor, King, and his family were dressed in the richest and scarlet and gold liveries and bearing massive silver staves. The Duke of Connaught, who represented King Edward, and the Duchess of Connaught followed. The Duke of Devonshire, the Duke of

at Nizam, a Maharajah and other ruling chiefs, severally in all, their huge elephants forming a line a quarter of a mile long.

The saluting procession started from the railroad preceded by the Dragon Guards and artillery, the Viceroy's escort and by heralds and trumpeter. The route was entirely lined by British and native troops. From the front of the procession the commanding officer of the Lahore gate, guns thundered out royal salute as the Viceroy passed. With the heralds and trumpeters sounding a martial, spirited fanfare, the elephants followed in a single file, the backs of the elephants which bore the brilliant-dressed retainers of the ruling chiefs. The beasts all saluted by trumpeting and throwing their trunks in the air, presenting a truly magnificent sight.

Behind the elephants came the official

As the cavalcade traversed the broad road leading to the Jumma Musjid Mosque, with its white domes and minarets, the sun shone brightly and the maze crowds of onlookers witnessed a spectacle which, it is claimed, never has been surpassed in magnificence. The procession consisted of the following:—The Imperial band, and trumpeters who followed the escort and immediately preceded the viceregal procession were conspicuous by the splendor of their uniforms, and were followed by the new or constituted Imperial cadet corps, comprising 30 maharajahs headed by Sir North Singh, looking superb in the white coats, black turbans and decorations. Excitement was at fever heat as the first elephants, with gold and silver howdahs, of the staff officers' corps, and the members of the Government, entered the mosque. The finest circle around Asia passed in front of the great Jumma Masjid, the steps of which were thronged with distinguished persons, and the Imperial representatives from other parts of the Empire.

In the rear of the procession rode General Lord Kitchener, the Commander-in-Chief, who was preceded by a brilliant staff and followed by the leaders of the provinces with escorts of Indian cavalry and tribal leaders from beyond the border line.

The main street moved the the

The royal party was in state uniform. The Duke of Connaught was dressed in grey, the Prince of Wales in blue, the Prince of Cambridge in red, the Duke of York in green, the Duke of Gloucester in blue, the Duke of Devonshire in red, the Duke of Cornwall in blue, the Duke of Kent in red, the Duke of Edinburgh in blue, the Duke of Sussex in red, the Duke of York and Albany in blue, the Duke of Gloucester and Kent in red, the Duke of Devonshire and Cornwall in blue, the Duke of Kent and Edinburgh in red, the Duke of Sussex and York in blue, the Duke of York and Albany in red, the Duke of Gloucester and Kent in blue, the Duke of Devonshire and Cornwall in red, the Duke of Kent and Edinburgh in blue, the Duke of Sussex and York in red.

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Local News.

Special Meeting.—There will be a special meeting of the members of Columbia Lodge, No. 4, I. O. O. F., in the library of the hall this evening at 8 o'clock.

Prepared to Pay.—All parties having claims against the city will be paid on presentation of verified accounts at Treasurer Kent's office, after 2 p.m. today.

Died at Calgary.—Capt. H. J. Coppock passed away at his residence, "Leich Cottage," Calgary, on December 21, after a long and lingering illness.

Installation.—The installation of officers of Vancouver-Quadrant, No. 2, A. F. & A. M., takes place this evening in Masonic Temple. Members of Nos. 1 and 24 and visiting Masons are especially invited.

New Year's Dance.—The City Band will give a dance in the A. O. U. W. hall on New Year's Eve. The prize of a \$20 gold piece and other special attractions are promised.

Kamloops Fair.—The dates fixed for holding the Kamloops fair, which will be held on September 23, 24 and 25, Mr. Martin Beattie has been elected as secretary and manager in place of J. T. Robinson, resigned.

Musical Festival.—There will be no rehearsal this week. The next rehearsal will be held on Wednesday, January 1, at the City Hall, commencing at 8 o'clock. Harris' Festival Music and Stanford's "Reverie" will then be studied.

Jewish Services.—Divine service at congregation Emanuel, corner of Pandora and Blanchard streets, at 7:30 Friday evening. Rabbi Montague N. A. Cohen will deliver a sermon on "The Measuring Line." Service Saturday morning, 10:15.

Company Drills.—The regular company drills of the Fifth Regiment will be resumed next week. The company will parade as follows: Monday, Nos. 5 and 6; Tuesday, Nos. 1 and 2; Wednesday, Nos. 3 and 4. The classes of instruction have been and will be held at the middle of January.

Pong-Low.—Ma Pong and Jean Low, two Chinese, who were arrested Saturday evening at the Refuge Home. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Scott, assisted by Rev. Mr. Deane. After the ceremony the friends of the young couple, to the number of 6, partook of a wedding supper. The bride received many pretty and useful presents.

The Civic Campaign.—The first shot in the civic campaign will be fired this evening, when the candidates for alderman and school trustees who were nominated by the Labor interests will address a meeting at Labor hall. It is understood that no meetings in the interests of either candidates for the office of mayor will be held until after New Year's day.

Large Registration.—The municipal elections of 1903 bid fair to be notable from the circumstance that the largest number of voters since the city was incorporated. Up to 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon over 800 electors had registered at Mr. Northcott's office at the City hall as persons qualified to vote as householders. The largest number of similar registrations made in any previous year was 770.

The Police Court.—In the police court yesterday morning the charge against James Rolph, a bluejacket, was withdrawn, the complainant, a woman of Chatham street, who accused him of violating a ruling dated at \$20, having failed to appear against him. Rolph was turned over to the naval authorities. Four drunks were called, two being fined \$2.50, one \$5, and the other failing to appear, his bail of \$10 was retained.

Christmas Reception.—Tomorrow evening, from 7:30 to 10:45 p.m., the Epworth League of the Metropolitan Methodist church will hold their annual reception in the school room. The Sunday school orchestra, under the leadership of A. Parfitt, will furnish music during the evening. The various games will be provided for those in attendance. Refreshments will also be served during the evening, and the league expects to be to all, and especially to strangers, a cordial invitation to be present. There will be no admission fee.

Socialists v. Single Tax.—Dr. F. W. Morris addressed the Victoria Socialist League in the Labor hall on Sunday evening before a large audience. Several musical selections were rendered, and after the doctor had read an excellent paper dealing with the "National Effects of Taxation," and enunciating the single-tax proposition, the audience was thrown open for questions from the audience. Numerous questions were asked by the Socialists, and a lively discussion followed, in which the advocates of single-tax and socialism stoutly defended their subjects. J. Arnason presided.

Jollity Club Dance.—The ladies' committee of the Jollity Club has arranged to have some one in attendance at the A. O. U. W. hall this afternoon in order to accommodate those who wish to leave their donations of refreshments early for the supper to be given in connection with their fancy dress ball. Invitations for the dance are being sent out at the door, and those who go as spectators are requested to sit upstairs. The committee have completed all arrangements for the dance and looks to an enjoyable evening. It is expected that a large number of maskers will be present in fancy dress.

New Year Bonquets.—In connection with the request of the Tourist association for photos of some of Victoria's handsome "winter gardens," a suggestion has been made, which if carried out, would do much good in the way of advertising in the East the mildness of the climate enjoyed in these parts. The proposal is that all who can should contribute flowers and roses from their gardens on New Year's day, and the above association make up a number of bouquets to be sent to leading Eastern editors as a concrete evidence of what Victoria's climate really is. The cost of such an advertisement would be very small, and the good done this city would be great.

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Dennis Harris C. E. and Party Have Returned From Alberni Canal.

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After a very arduous trip, which was undertaken on September 25 last, for the purpose of making a preliminary survey of the route of a railway from the Cowichan valley to Alberni, Dennis Harris, C.E., and party returned to Victoria on Saturday evening. Mr. Harris returns possessed of a vast fund of valuable information regarding the character and general resources of the country traversed, all of which will be embodied in an exhaustive report which he is now busy preparing for submission to the government. The object of the trip was accomplished in every particular, an actual instrumental survey being made from a point a little North of Cowichan lake to Stamp harbor, at the head of Alberni canal.

As before stated, Mr. Harris, with a party of eight assistants, left Victoria on September 25 last, and it was only a few days later that actual survey work was commenced. The line was started at the summit of the Nitinat, between Cameron river and the lake, and proceeded to the westward. The line was first run as far as possible towards Cowichan lake in a Southwesterly direction, but the snow was so deep that operations in that direction were abandoned, and the surveying line towards Alberni was taken up.

The line was picked up again on the North side of Nitinat pass and carried through on grade by the wagon road, the Roger creek then being too low for the grade then being run. The line was carried through to tidewater at New Alberni.

The major portion of the arduous trip was made under the most unfavorable climatic conditions. About October 25 the weather broke, and from then on the falling snow and stormy weather party witnessed a remarkable phenomenon on November 7—a snowstorm accompanied by heavy thunder and lightning. Mr. Harris found it very difficult at times to proceed with the work at all, particularly at places where the timber was thick in the valleys. On dark days the valleys were made so dark by the towering monsters of the forest that it was often necessary to use lighted candles in order to read the instruments. Then, again, great inconvenience was caused by the miniature avalanches of snow which were continually falling from the high tree-tops. The tops of the trees were thick with branches, which made a splendid resting place for a considerable quantity of snow, and when a slight wind came the trees sway, down would come the snow, and as in some instances the trees were 300 feet in height, the snow fell with great force. In one instance one of the instruments was broken by the falling snow. Mr. Harris says he came across some very fine timber—fir and hemlock—of which there is great abundance. The largest fir trees seen were in the vicinity of Cameron river. He observed one huge "toothpick" in particular, which was a veritable monarch of the forest. It towered into the heavens for a distance of fully 200 feet and was as straight and flawless as could be wished by the most exacting timber cruiser in the country. From its base it ran a distance of fully one hundred feet without a branch, and for this entire distance it could average nine feet in circumference.

Mr. Harris describes the country traversed by his party as simply magnificent in its mineral resources. No geological attempt at prospecting was made by any of the party, but that great bodies of copper and gold-bearing ore exist was clear to the least observant. The steep mountains cut by numerous small streams afforded an excellent opportunity to make a cursory examination of the mineral-bearing bodies thus laid bare, and Mr. Harris says that on all sides there were the most gratifying evidences of the enormous mineral richness of the district.

The country may aptly be described as a sportsman's paradise. Game was abundant in every direction in which the party went, particularly in Nitinat valley, where many deer and bears were seen. On the slope of Cameron river the party came across what is probably a new species of deer. Unfortunately at the time none of the party had a gun, as all were busy running the line, but a band of white-faced deer suddenly put in an appearance. All were amazed at the strange sight and examined the animals closely. The band was made up of a magnificent buck, with huge branching horns, a doe and several fawns. All had white faces—the contrast between the other portions of their bodies in color being particularly marked. Mr. Harris remarks that he had not a gun so that he could have got one of the strange specimens to donate to Mr. Fannin, curator of the provincial museum.

At Stamp harbor, at the head of Alberni canal, to which point the line was run, the party came across an old saw mill, which was erected in 1868 by Messrs. Anderson and Anderson. The timber of which the mill is built is of a fine quality, and the mill is in good condition. It is the best in the world in its qualities of imperishability from contact with wind and weather and salt water, is shown by the quality of the specimen of the lumber of which the old mill is constructed, which Mr. Harris brought back with him. It was taken from a piece of timber in the structure which is continually washed by the tide, and is apparently as sound today as when, in 1868, it was sawn from a log and put into the old mill. This speaks volumes for the quality of the timber grown on Vancouver Island.

Mr. Harris is of the opinion that the route which he surveyed ought to form part of the line of the A.I.F. Island road. If this were done, the route would be the best in the world, as it would be the shortest route from the Island to Hardy Bay, and the entire country thus opened up to settlement and the work of the prospector and miner. Mr. Harris says the route which it is proposed to build would be characterized by railway men as a "mountain road," but the cost of construction would at no point equal the expenditures which are necessary in railway building in the Kootenay country.

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